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M I N U T E S

of the

Sub-Committee appointed to consider a P.N.E.U. Diploma for
University Graduates

Members of the Sub-Committee.

The Rev. H. Costley-White, D.D.

The Lady Cottesloe.

Miss Faunce.

The Hon. Mrs. Franklin.

Miss Lynda Grier, M.A.

Mr. A. T. L. Hickson, B.A.

Mr. H. W. Household, M.A.

Miss Kitching.

Miss Parish.

Dr. Telford Petrie.

A meeting of the Sub-Committee appointed to consider a P.N.E.U. Diploma for University Graduates was held on Friday, February 11th at 2.30 p.m. at 26, Victoria Street, to discuss schemes in accordance with the Resolutions passed by the P.N.E.U. Executive Committee on January 24th.

PRESENT:-

Dr. Costley-White (in the Chair).
The Lady Cottesloe.
The Hon. Mrs. Franklin.
Miss Lynda Grier, M.A.
Mr. Hickson.
Mr. Household.
Miss Parish.
Dr. Petrie.

APOLOGIES were received from Miss Faunce who expressed her full approval of this proposed extension of P.N.E.U. work and ended her letter by saying: "With best wishes for this progressive move by the P.N.E.U. which means much for the future of our work".

CO-OPTION OF MEMBERS

- 1) Miss Lynda Grier, M.A., Principal of Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford.

Proposed by: The Lady Cottesloe.
Seconded by: The Hon. Mrs. Franklin.

- 2) Dr. Telford Petrie.

Proposed by: The Hon. Mrs. Franklin.
Seconded by: Dr. Costley-White.

According to the terms of the Resolution the desirability and possibility of arranging for a one or two terms Diploma Course at Ambleside was first discussed. It was decided that such an arrangement was not feasible, but that individual graduates who wished to go there, might do so, and that the time spent there should be regarded as qualifying towards the "P.N.E.U. Diploma" in the event of such a Diploma materialising.

Mr. Household then put forward the view that a Diploma bearing endorsement by the P.N.E.U. alone would not be sufficient professional guarantee to a university graduate. A diploma whose value was recognised by the Board of Education, and, more significantly, under the Burnham Scale, was, he was convinced a sine qua non with the university graduate. Miss Grier supported his contention.

Mr. Household indicated that there was a way by which the P.N.E.U. could meet the demand of the graduate for a "recognised" Diploma without sacrificing its own effort towards securing them as properly fitted exponents of Miss Mason's philosophy and method. This was by putting its "teaching diploma course" within those given by British universities, especially universities like Oxford, Cambridge and London which admit external students to their Teacher's Certificate examinations. Put as a Resolution his recommendation was: "That the University Training Departments should be approached with a view to the incorporation in their syllabuses of Miss Mason's books, and that students who desire it should be permitted to take their teaching practice in P.N.E.U. schools".

graduates *approved*

Lady Cottesloe's further proposal that there should be a visiting P.N.E.U. lecturer at these Training Colleges was deferred.

Mrs. Franklin suggested a rider to the Resolution: "That graduates who may have obtained a University Teaching Diploma on the lines of the proposed Resolution should nevertheless not be "recognised" by the P.N.E.U. until they have passed a further examination set by the P.N.E.U. on Miss Mason's philosophy and method." Lady Cottesloe upheld the suggestion. Dr. Costley-White, Miss Grier and Mr. Household considered that one years practice and supervision in P.N.E.U. schools should make such further examination unnecessary and that it would not commend itself. Mrs. Franklin withdrew her suggestion. Mr. Household's Resolution was then put to the Committee and carried unanimously.

Means of approaching the university teaching departments were discussed, the decision being that a letter should be written by Mr. Household, and with the consent of the Executive Committee, sent to the teaching departments of the Universities mentioned in Whitaker, and that in certain cases the letter should be followed up by a personal visit, viz:

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| Oxford & London: | Mr. Household and Dr. Costley-White. |
| Bristol: | Mr. Household. |
| Cambridge: | Mr. Household and Mrs. Franklin. |
| Manchester: | Dr. Petrie. |
| Liverpool: | Dr. Costley-White. |
| (Prof. Campagnac) | |
| Reading: | Professor de Burgh. |

In the event of all the University Teaching Departments rejecting this proposal, the Sub-Committee would then meet to consider "some other" means of granting a Diploma for P.N.E.U. work to graduates.
